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RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
EXAMINING GROUP 2187
Docket No.: 826.1771

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Katsuhiko NISHIKAWA

Serial No. 09/987,898

Group Art Unit: 2187

Confirmation No. 7809

Filed: November 16, 2001

Examiner: Hiep T. Nguyen

For: STORAGE SERVICE METHOD, STORAGE SERVICE USER TERMINAL DEVICE,
STORAGE SERVICE PROVIDING DEVICE, AND STORAGE MEDIUM STORING
STORAGE SERVICE PROGRAM

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
PO Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Attention: **BOX AF**

Sir:

This is in response to the final Office Action mailed July 26, 2004, and having a period for response set to expire on October 26, 2004.

A Petition for a one-month extension of time, together with the requisite fee for same, is submitted herewith, thereby extending the period for response to November 26, 2004.

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted. Reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested.

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**REPLY/AMENDMENT
FEE TRANSMITTAL**

REPLY/AMENDMENT FEE TRANSMITTAL		Attorney Docket No.	826.1771	
		Application Number	09/987,898	
		Filing Date	November 16, 2001	
		First Named Inventor	Katsuhiko NISHIKAWA	
		Group Art Unit	2187	
AMOUNT ENCLOSED	286.00	Examiner Name	Hiep T. Nguyen	

FEES CALCULATION (fees effective 10/01/03)

CLAIMS AS AMENDED	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest Number Previously Paid For	Number Extra	Rate	Calculations
TOTAL CLAIMS	19	- 20 =	0	X \$ 18.00 =	\$ 0.00
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	7	- 5 =	2	X \$ 88.00 =	176.00
Since an Official Action set an original due date of October 26, 2004, petition is hereby made for an extension to cover the date this reply is filed for which the requisite fee is enclosed (1 month (\$110)); (2 months (\$430)); (3 months (\$980)); (4 months (\$1,530)); (5 months (\$2,080);					110.00
If Notice of Appeal is enclosed, add (\$340.00)					
If Statutory Disclaimer under Rule 20(d) is enclosed, add fee (\$110.00)					
Information Disclosure Statement (Rule 1.17(p)) (\$180.00)					
Total of above Calculations =					\$ 286.00
Reduction by 50% for filing by small entity (37 CFR 1.9, 1.27 & 1.28)					
TOTAL FEES DUE =					\$ 286.00

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- (2) If entry (2) is less than 20, change entry (2) to "20".
- (4) If entry (4) is less than entry (5), entry (6) is "0".
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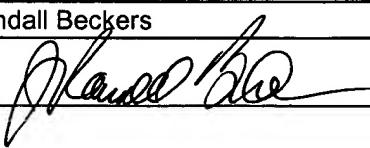
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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Commissioner is also authorized to credit any overpayments or charge any additional fees required under 37 CFR 1.16 (filing fees) or 37 CFR 1.17 (processing fees) during the prosecution of this application, including any related application(s) claiming benefit hereof pursuant to 35 USC § 120 (e.g., continuations/divisionals/CIPs under 37 CFR 1.53(b) and/or continuations/divisionals/CPAs under 37 CFR 1.53(d)) to maintain pendency hereof or of any such related application.	

SUBMITTED BY: STAAS & HALSEY LLP

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